

MINUTES OF MEETING
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION
DECEMBER 3, 2013

The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:32 p.m., in the conference room, at the Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present

Thomas J. Rechen, Esq., Chair

Carl Eisenmann, Esq.

Monsignor William A. Genuario

Aimee Golbert, LCSW

Attorney Ramona Mercado-Espinoza

Others Present

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender

Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender

Nancy M. Roberts, Director of Human Resources

Christine Rapillo, Director of Juvenile Delinquency Defense
and Child Protection Services

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to amend the minutes of the November 12, 2013 meeting.

AMENDMENT OF MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the amended minutes of the November 12, 2013 meeting.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED
MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:35 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:00 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Susan Hamilton to the position of Deputy Assistant Public Defender, Hartford Family Court. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender at Step 4 of the Deputy Assistant Public Defender Salary Schedule.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTY.
SUSAN HAMILTON

The Chief Public Defender discussed the attorney reappointments.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorneys to a new four-year term: Supervisory Assistant Public Defender, Sean F. Kelly, Geographical Area 10 (New London), expiring on 12/14/17; Senior Assistant Public Defender, Barbara J. Sorrentino, Connecticut Innocence Project/Post Conviction Unit, Office of Chief Public Defender, Rocky Hill, expiring on 12/18/17; and Senior Assistant Public Defender, M. Fred DeCaprio, New London Judicial District, expiring on 12/31/17.

ATTORNEY
REAPPOINTMENTS

There were no permanent statuses to discuss at this meeting.

A discussion took place regarding the proposed 2014 Commission meeting dates.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the 2014 Commission meeting dates as amended.

APPROVAL OF 2014
COMMISSION MEETING
DATES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the appointment of Sara Hodis to the position of Social Worker I, Geographical Area 18 (Bantam).

RATIFICATION OF
SARA HODIS

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:09 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A), Section 1-200(6)(E) and Section 1-210(b)(10) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to rescind the appointment of Attorney Anna Liisa Nixon to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Connecticut Innocence Project/Post Conviction Unit.

RESCISSION OF
APPOINTMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Attorney Natalie Olmstead to the position of Assistant Public Defender, Connecticut Innocence Project/Post Conviction Unit. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTY.
NATALIE OLMSTEAD

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Authorizations to Incur Expenses as submitted to the Commission.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify an Authorization to Incur Expenses in the matter of David Perry vs. Warden that was approved by Chairman Rechen.

RATIFICATION OF EXPENSES

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow
Deputy Chief Public Defender